

2013-2014 Timeline for Completing the Lake Champlain Restoration Plan (Phosphorus TMDL) Including Opportunities for Public Comment

Steps	Timeframe
State releases Draft Proposal for Restoring Lake Champlain	November, 21, 2013
EPA and State hold <u>six public meetings</u> to discuss Draft Proposal	December, 2-11, 2013
State receives <u>public comments</u> on Draft Proposal	By January 17, 2014
State receives comments from EPA on Draft Proposal	By January 17, 2014
EPA prepares the pollution load allocations (i.e., TMDL's load and wasteload allocations) and other TMDL components	Summer, 2014
State submits final TMDL Phase One Plan to meet the TMDL's Reasonable Assurance* provision based on Draft Proposal	May 30, 2014
State provides EPA a letter from the Governor, supporting the Policy Commitments	May 30, 2014
EPA issues Draft TMDL and opens <u>public comment period</u>	Summer, 2014
EPA issues final TMDL; State begins implementation	Fall, 2014

* When a TMDL depends on some pollution reduction from nonpoint sources, there must be "reasonable assurance" that the nonpoint source load reductions will be achieved.